



This submission is accompanied by a Request for Continuing Examination and fee for a one month extension in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 2, 2003 in this application. A Notice of Appeal has been filed with a three month request for extension of time on June 2, 2004. Reconsideration of the subject application is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.